

# Cosumnes, American, Bear and Yuba IRWM



CHRY Region Map

Water Management



# CABY Organization

- ▶ MOU organization
- ▶ Planning Committee: 45 individual entities have adopted the IRWMP (and counting!)
- ▶ Coordinating Committee: representation for 4 major water agencies and 4 environmental NGOs

# CABY Partners and Relationships

- ▶ USDA Forest Service, Tahoe National Forest
- ▶ USDA Forest Service, El Dorado Nat'l Forest
- ▶ Eight California Native American Tribes
- ▶ California Department of Fish and Game

# Priorities

- ▶ Water quality – contaminants
  - legacy mining and sediment
- ▶ Water demand and supply management
  - balancing regional use and exports
  - conjunctive use, recycling, system operations
  - surface storage: construction and removal options
- ▶ Aging infrastructure
- ▶ Watershed/ecosystem conditions
  - catastrophic fires and fuels management
  - exotic species
  - fisheries

# Accomplishments

- ▶ Received planning grant to update IRWMP
- ▶ 16 projects funded from Implementation
  - 14 projects for infrastructure improvements for Disadvantaged Communities (Nevada City, and community of Washington)
  - Established water trust
  - Leak detection in Alta Colfax
- ▶ New plan adoptees at a rate of about 3 per year

# Challenges

- ▶ Sustainability of the organization
  - Funding has supported intensive work by member entities
  - Administrative and technical support for meeting and project coordination
  - Looking at fundraising options for various scenarios

# Lessons Learned

- ▶ Project integration by project members is a critical component in developing competitive projects
- ▶ Transparency contributes to establishing durable relationships and creating a venue for project integration at an early stage
- ▶ Systematic DAC outreach needs to focus on capacity building and options for engagement